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SUBJECT: TRIANGULAR INVESTMENT MISSION TO ARAB NATIONS

(TIMAN) FEB 12-28 - ADVANCE TRAVEL BY MIDDLETON

REFERENCES: STATE 17223 AND 280522

1. CARL MIDDLETON, OPIC DIRECTOR OF INSURANCE, MIDDLE EAST/AFRICAPLANS TO TRAVEL TO TIMAN COUNTRIES TO CONTINUE ADVANCE WORK FOR TIMAN. HIS PRESENT PLAN IS TO SPEND TEN DAYS ON ARRANGEMENTS FOR TUNISIA, KUWAIT AND SAUDI ARABIA; THEN PERFORM FOLLOW-UP ADVANCE WORK AND MEET MISSION UPON ITS ARRIVALS AT CAIRO, AMMAN, KUWAIT, RIYADH AND JIDDA; AND FINALLY TRAVEL WITH MISSION TO TUNIS. MIDDLETON'S TRAVEL SCHEDULE AS FOLLOWS:

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2. DEPART WASHINGTON AFTERNOON OF FEBRUARY 1. ARR TUNIS 1750 FEB 2 ON AZ 864; LV TUNIS 0840 FEB 4 ON TU 952; ARR ROME 0950; LV ROME 1400 ON ME 232 ARR BEIRUT 1800; LV BEIRUT 1915 ON ME 402 ARR KUWAIT 2225 FEB 4 ON ME 402; LV KUWAIT 2030 FEB 7 ON KU 632 ARR DHAHRAN 2120 LV DHAHRAN 2359 ON SV 751; ARR RIYADH 0045 FEB 8; LV RIYADH 0930 FEB 9 ON SV 919 ARR JIDDA 1050; LV JIDDA 1445 FEB 10 ON SV 961 ARR CAIRO 1600; LV CAIRO 1445 FEB 15 ON RJ 502 ARR AMMAN 1645; LV AMMAN 1415 FEB 18 ON KU 566 ARR KUWAIT 1855; LV KUWAIT 1300 FEB 20 ON SV 861 ARR JIDDA 1600; LV JIDDA 2100 FEB 20 ON SV 800 ARR RIYADH 2220; LV RIYADH 1415 FEB 23 ON SV 953 ARR JIDDA 1335; LV JIDDA 0945 FEB 25 ON TU 714 ARR TUNIS 1505. (MISSION WILL END ON FEB 28, BUT MIDDLETON WILL VACATION IN TUNISIA UNTIL ABOUT MARCH 5.)

3. FOR TUNIS - MIDDLETON AND BIRD HOPE TO COMPLETE FINAL SCHEDULE FOR TIMAN DURING ADVANCE VISIT. IN MEETING IN WASHINGTON WITH TUNISIAN INVESTMENT PROMOTION AGENCY (API) OFFICIALS LAST WEEK, TENTATIVE SCHEDULE DISCUSSED AS FOLLOWS: FEB 25, API OFFICIAL TO EXPEDITE CLEARANCE OF MISSION AND BAGGAGE THROUGH AIRPORT; MISSION TRAVEL BY RENTED BUS TO AFRICA HOTEL; API TO HOST COCKTAIL RECEPTION 1830-1930 HOURS WHICH WILL INCLUDE SHORT BRIEFING BY API ON MISSION ACTIVITIES IN TUNIS. FEB 26 CONFERENCE BRIEFINGS BEGINNING AT 0900 BY MINISTERS OF PLANS, NATIONAL ECONOMY, AGRICULTURE AND CENTRAL BANK; 1230-1400 HOURS LUNCHEON HOSTED BY MINISTRY OF NATIONAL ECONOMY; 1430 HOURS CONFERENCE BRIEFINGS BY MINISTRY SOCIAL AFFAIRS AND ONE REPRESENTATIVE COVERING TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION AND UTILITIES; AT 1630 HALF-HOUR MEETING WITH PRIME MINISTER; DINNER TO BE HOSTED BY API. FEB 28, 0800 BREAKFAST BRIEFING AT AFRICA HOTEL BY AMBASSADOR AND EMBASSY STAFF; MISSION MEMBERS TO BE AVAILABLE IN HOTEL IN MORNING TO DISCUSS PROJECTS WITH LOCAL BUSINESSMEN OR OFFICIALS. LUNCHEON TO BE HOSTED BY TUNISIAN EQUIVALENT OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE; IN AFTERNOON INDIVIDUALS TO BE FREE TO CONDUCT PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS OR TO JOIN ONE OF FOUR BUS TRIPS TO AGRICULTURAL PROJECT, MECHANICS FACILITY, ELECTRONICS FACILITY, OR PORT OF TUNIS; 2000 HOURS EMBASSY COCKTAIL BUFFET (PAID BY MISSION) FOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND LOCAL BUSINESSMEN. FEB 28 0830-1000 WRAP-UP MEETING UNCLASSIFIED

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BY MISSION MEMBERS, 1000-1100 HOURS MEETING AT API BUILDING WITH API - CLOSE OF MISSION. (API U.S. REPRESENTATIVE AZOUZ ENNIFAR SAID API WOULD INVITE MEMBERS OF MISSION AND WIVES, WHO WOULD ARRIVE ON FEB 28, TO VISIT DGERBA AT API EXPENSE TO LEAVE TUNIS EVENING OF FEB 28 AND RETURN ON MARCH 3. SUCH PROSPECTIVE INVITATION IS NOT YET CLEARED BY API.)

4. ALSO FOR TUNIS - REQUEST EMBASSY RESERVE SINGLE AT

HOTEL MAJESTIC FOR NIGHTS OF FEB 2 AND 3.

5. FOR CAIRO - REQUEST EMBASSY INFORM MINISTER TAHER AMIN OF MIDDLETON'S TRAVEL SCHEDULE AND RESERVE SINGLE AT SUITABLE HOTEL FOR NIGHTS OF FEB 10, 11, 12 AND 13.

6. FOR AMMAN - REQUEST RESERVE SINGLE AT INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL FOR NIGHTS OF FEB 15, 16 AND 17.

7. FOR KUWAIT - REQUEST RESERVE SINGLE FOR NIGHTS OF FEB 4, 5, 6, 18 AND 19 AT SHERATON HOTEL. REQUEST EMBASSY SCHEDULE BRIEF MEETINGS ON FEB 5 AND 6, IF POSSIBLE, WITH

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PETRODOLLAR FUNDS AND OFFICIALS WHO WILL ADDRESS MISSION.

8. FOR JIDDA - REQUEST RESERVE SINGLE AT SUITABLE HOTEL IN RIYADH FOR NIGHTS OF FEB 7 AND 8, 20, 21, AND IN JIDDA NIGHT OF FEB 9. REQUEST, IF POSSIBLE, EMBASSY CONTROL OFFICER FOR TIMAN ACCOMPANY MIDDLETON IN RIYADH ON FEB 8 FOR PURPOSE OF VISITING PETRODOLLAR FUND REPRESENTATIVES AND OFFICIALS WHO WILL ADDRESS TIMAN.

9. REQUEST CONCURRENCE OF EMBASSIES IN MIDDLETON TRAVEL ASAP. KISSINGER

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